Conference Committee Report on House Bill No. 765 / Senate Bill No. 1012

The House and Senate Conference Committee appointed pursuant to motions to resolve the differences between the two houses on House Bill No. 765 (Senate Bill No. 1012) has met and recommends that the following amendments be deleted: House State Government Committee Amendment 1, House State Government Committee Amendment 2, and Senate Judiciary Committee Amendment 1.

The Committee further recommends that the following amendment be adopted:

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-8-105, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (d):

(d) Notwithstanding any citizenship requirement in a private act or charter provision to the contrary, a municipality, county, political subdivision of this state, or state law enforcement agency is authorized to employ a police officer who is a permanent legal resident of the United States and an honorably discharged veteran of the United States armed forces; provided, that the police officer applies for or obtains United States citizenship within six (6) years of the employment start date with the law enforcement agency.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-8-106(2), is amended by deleting the language "Be a citizen of the United States" and by substituting instead the language "Be a citizen of the United States, or a permanent legal resident of the United States who is an honorably discharged veteran of the United States armed forces pursuant to § 38-8-105(d)".

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

Senator Dickerson	Representative Powell
Senator Overbey	Representative Ramsey
Senator Harris	Representative Lamberth
Senator	Representative

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